

duty on Ranitidine Hydrochloride. Testimony was heard from Barbara Steinbock, Deputy Director, Office of International Trade, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

Conferees met on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2104, to restore and strengthen civil rights laws that ban discrimination in employment, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT

Conferees met on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 566, to authorize a new corporation to support State and local strategies for achieving more affordable housing and to increase homeownership, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again Wednesday, September 26.

Tuesday, September 25, 1990

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 25613-25833

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 3103-3109, S. Res. 327, and S.J. Res. 370.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2724, to extend and improve arts and humanities programs, museum services, and arts and artifacts indemnification, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 101-472)

S. 2575, to urge the Secretary of State to negotiate a ban on mineral resource activities in Antarctica.

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Measures Passed:

Department of Agriculture Appropriations, 1991: By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 251), Senate passed H.R. 5268, making appropriations for Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies program for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1991.

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Senate insisted on its amendments, requested a conference with the House thereon, the chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Burdick, Bumpers, Harkin,

Adams, Fowler, Kerrey, Byrd, Cochran, McClure, Kasten, Specter, Grassley, and Hatfield.

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SEC Authorities: Senate passed H.R. 3657, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide additional authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission to prevent disruptions to the Nation's securities markets, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Dodd Amendment No. 2880, in the nature of a substitute.

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National Defense Authorizations, 1991: Senate, under authority of August 4, 1990, passed H.R. 4739, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1991 for military functions of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel levels for fiscal year 1991, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 2884, Senate companion measure, as amended, and requested a conference with the House thereon.

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Family Planning Amendments—Title X: Senate began consideration of S. 110, to revise and extend the programs of assistance under title X of the Public Health Service Act, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) Jeffords Amendment No. 2761, to provide women with information and counseling regarding their pregnancies.

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(2) By 62 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 252), Chafee Amendment No. 2762 (to Amendment No. 2761), to specify the types of information and counseling that women should be offered regarding their pregnancies.

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(3) Hatch Amendment No. 2784, to expand data collection provisions to include evaluations of the effectiveness of contraceptive programs on reducing teenage pregnancies.

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Rejected:

By 34 yeas to 58 nays (Vote No. 253), Hatch Amendment No. 2763, in the nature of a substitute.

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Withdrawn:

(1) Pressler Amendment No. 2881, to reduce the pay of Members of Congress corresponding to the percentage reduction of the pay of Federal employees who are furloughed or otherwise have a reduction of pay resulting from a sequestration order.

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(2) Armstrong Amendment No. 2882, to require notification of a parent or legal guardian prior to an abortion on a minor.

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(3) Kennedy Amendment No. 2883 (to Amendment No. 2882), to limit the use of funds to perform an abortion on a minor regardless of whether parental consent is obtained. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 2882, listed above, was withdrawn.)

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, September 26, at 10 a.m., with a vote on a motion to invoke cloture on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended, to occur at 5:30 p.m.

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Motor Vehicle Fuel Efficiency Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1224, to amend the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act to require new standards for corporate average fuel economy, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages 25628, 25642

By 57 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 248), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

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Treaties Approved: The following treaties as having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolutions of ratification, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Treaty with the USSR on the Limitation of Underground Nuclear Weapon Tests: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 249), Ex. N(A), 94th Cong., 2nd Sess., Treaty with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Limitation of Underground Nuclear Weapon Tests, with a Protocol signed in Washington on June 1, 1990. (Protocol to this treaty is included in Treaty Doc. 101-19.)

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Treaty with the USSR on Underground Nuclear Explosions for Peaceful Purposes: By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 250), Ex. N(B), 94th Cong., 2nd Sess., Treaty with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Underground Nuclear Explosions for Peaceful Purposes, with a Protocol signed in Washington on June 1, 1990. (Protocol to this treaty is included in Treaty Doc. 101-19.)

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the Convention for the Protection of the Natural Resources and Environment of the South Pacific Region, with Annex, and a Protocol (Treaty

Doc. No. 101-21), which was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Marvin Collins, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas.

Elsie V. Vartanian, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Karen L. Gillmor, of Ohio, to be Director of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor, which was sent to the Senate on March 20, 1990.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—253)

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Recess: Senate convened at 8:45 a.m., and recessed at 10:40 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Wednesday, September 26, 1990. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 25833.)

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—VA/HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported, with amendments, H.R. 5158, making appropriations for fiscal year 1991 for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and certain independent agencies.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of George T. Harding IV, of Ohio, Clarence S. Avery, of California, and Gopal S. Pal, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Department of Defense.

Also, committee began consideration of S. 3025 and S. 3026, bills to make members of the Armed Forces involved in Operation Desert Shield or similar operations

eligible for certain benefits and to make members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces and retired members of the Armed Forces eligible for certain benefits when ordered to active duty in connection with a mobilization, and other related measures, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

THRIFT INDUSTRY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held oversight hearings on the condition and future of the thrift industry, receiving testimony from Anthony M. Frank, Postmaster General of the United States, on behalf of the First Nationwide Savings and Loan (San Francisco, California); William H. Glencorse, First Federal Savings and Loan of Lenawee County, Adrian, Michigan; and Edmond M. Shanahan, Bell Federal Savings and Loan, Chicago, Illinois.

Hearings continue Thursday, September 27.

NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy Regulation and Conservation concluded hearings on S. 3085, to limit the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission over local distribution company wholesalers of natural gas for ultimate consumption as a fuel in motor vehicles, after receiving testimony from Robert F. Christin, Assistant General Counsel for Pipeline Certificates, Office of the General Counsel, and Robert Cupina, Deputy Director for Pipeline Certificates and Oil Regulation, Office of Pipeline and Producer Regulation, both of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; C. Ronald Tilley, Columbia Gas Distribution Company, Columbus, Ohio, on behalf of the American Gas Association; Carl Cummins, Minnegasco, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Jeffrey Seisler, The Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition, Arlington, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Brig. Gen. Paul Y. Chinen, United States Army, to be a Member, Mississippi River Commission;

An original bill.

S. 2879, to authorize funds for maintenance, repair, alteration and other services necessary for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts;

S. 3060, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1995 to develop a program of research and technology development for the control of Zebra Mussels in and around public infrastructure facilities;

S. Res. 312, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the need to develop a zebra mussel research and control program through the Great Lakes Fishery Commission;

H.R. 4758, to provide for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an extension of the American Canal at El Paso, Texas;

H.R. 435, to revise the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965 to include Columbiana County, Ohio, as part of the Appalachian region;

S. 2500, to authorize a reduction of Federal highway funds for States that have not provided for effective control of outdoor signs, displays, or devices along Federal-aid highways;

S. 2729, to replace provisions describing the properties included in the Coastal Barrier Resources System and providing for boundary modifications and maps with provisions including in the System undeveloped coastal barriers, with amendments;

H.R. 3787, to provide for a joint Federal, State, and Tribal study for the restoration of the fishery resources of the Chehalis River Basin, Washington;

H.R. 3468, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain lands in Connecticut for the expansion of the Stewart B. McKinney National Wildlife Refuge;

H.R. 3338, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey all interest of the United States in a fish hatchery to the State of South Carolina, with amendments;

S. 2244, to prevent and control infestations of the coastal and inland waters of the United States by the zebra mussel, and other nonindigenous aquatic nuisance species, with amendments;

S. 2806, to redesignate the Interstate Highway System as the Dwight D. Eisenhower Interstate Highway System;

S. 427, to designate the Federal building located at 1801 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, Florida, as the "Bob Sikes Visitor Center";

S. 2965, to designate the Federal building located at 51 Southwest 1st Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the "Claude Pepper Federal Building"; and

S. 3046, to redesignate the Federal building located at 1 Bowling Green in New York, New York, as the "Alexander Hamilton United States Custom House".

Also, Committee approved numerous General Service Administration building prospectuses.

STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings to examine alleged fraud, waste and abuse in Federal student loan programs, focusing on program enforcement and regulations of banks, guarantee agencies, student loan secondary markets and loan servicing operations, receiving testimony from Christopher C. Crissman, Senior Evaluator, General Accounting Office; David Buckley, Chief Investigator, and Grace McPhearson, Staff Investigator, both of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations; William L. Banks, Chemical Bank, New York, New York, representing the Consumer Bankers Association; Richard Fulp, Bank of America, NT&SA, San Francisco, California; Samuel M.

Kipp III and Sydney P. Jamison, both of the California Student Aid Commission, Sacramento; and Garry D. Hays and Wendie J. Doyle, both of the Higher Education Assistance Foundation, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, and Administrative Practice approved for full committee consideration, without recommendation, the following measures:

S. 293, to amend the Judicial Survivors' Annuity Act to eliminate the requirement that a Federal justice or judge, who is assassinated, must have served a specific period of time before his or her survivors become eligible for benefits;

S. 297, for the relief of Joan Daronco;

S. 1301, to provide relief for Hoar Construction, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama to settle certain claims filed against the Small Business Administration;

S. 1725, to establish a commission in the Department of the Interior to provide compensation to individuals who lost their land or mining claims to the United States Government for the establishment of the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico;

S. 1657, for the relief of Trevor Henderson;

S. 3016, for the relief of Janice and Leslie Sedore and Ruth Hillman;

S. 3043, for the relief of Nebraska Aluminum Castings, Inc.;

S. Res. 79, to refer S. 559, a bill for the relief of Shipco General Inc., an Idaho corporation, to the Chief Judge of the United States Claims Court;

S. Res. 195, to refer S. 1762, a bill for the relief of the Menominee Indian tribe of Wisconsin, to the Chief Judge of the United States Claims Court for a report thereon;

H.R. 426, for the relief of Christy Carl Hallien of Arlington, Texas; and

H.R. 3791, for the relief of Beulah C. Shifflett.

Also, committee approved for full committee consideration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, S. 2465, to provide a new civil cause of action in Federal law for acts of international terrorism that provides extraterritorial jurisdiction over terrorist acts abroad against United States nationals.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

S. 381, to extend Federal recognition and associated services and benefits to the Mowa Band of Choctaw Indians of Alabama, with an amendment;

S. 2900, to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort McDowell Indian Community in Arizona, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2870, to approve the Fort Hall Indian Water Rights Settlement between the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, the United States, the State of Idaho and non-Indian Snake water users, with an amendment;

S. 3084, to provide for the settlement of water rights claims of the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Indian Tribe, with an amendment; and

S. 2895, to provide for the renegotiation of certain leases of the Seneca Nation in the State of New York, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

WOUNDED KNEE MEMORIAL/LITTLE BIG HORN NATIONAL MONUMENT BATTLEFIELD

Select Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the following proposals:

Proposed legislation to establish a memorial and historic site to commemorate the events surrounding the 1890 Indian Massacre at Wounded Knee Creek, South Dakota, after receiving testimony from Representative Tim Johnson; Knute Knudson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks; South Dakota Governor George S. Mickelson, Pierre; Harold Dean Salway, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Mario Gonzalez, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and Claudia Iron Hawk, Wounded Knee, South Dakota, both on behalf of the Wounded Knee Survivors Association; and Suzan Harjo, Morning Star Foundation, Washington, D.C.; and

Provisions of S. 2869, to establish a monument commemorating the Indian participants of the Little Big Horn and to redesignate the name of the monument from Custer Battlefield to Little Big Horn National Monument Battlefield, after receiving testimony from Representative Campbell; Knute Knudson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks; and Suzan Harjo, Morning Star Foundation, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded open and closed hearings on the nomination of Frederick P. Hitz, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 5707-5716; H.J. Res. 655-656, and H. Res. 475-476 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 475, providing for the consideration of H.J. Res. 655, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1991, and supplemental appropriations for "Oper-

ation Desert Shield" for the fiscal year 1990 (H. Rept. 101-753);

H.J. Res. 655, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1991, and supplemental appropriations for "Operation Desert Shield" for the fiscal year 1990 (H. Rept. 101-754); and

H.R. 4300, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to revise the system of admission of aliens on the basis of family reunification and to meet identified labor shortages, amended (H. Rept. 101-723, Part II).

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Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 266 yeas to 125 nays, Roll No. 372, the House approved the Journal of Monday, September 24.

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Crime Control: By a yea-and-nay vote of 166 yeas to 258 nays, Roll No. 376, the House failed to agree to H. Res. 473, providing for the consideration of H.R. 5269, to control crime.

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Agreed to the Slaughter amendment that requires the Unsoeld amendment (banning domestic assembly of non-importable firearms) be considered as the final amendment printed in part 2 of the report on the resolution (agreed to by a recorded vote of 222 yeas to 202 noes, Roll No. 375).

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Earlier, agreed to order the previous question on the resolution and amendment thereto (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 373).

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Agreed to the Gray motion to table the Walker motion to reconsider the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution and amendment thereto (agreed to by a recorded vote of 244 yeas to 180 noes, Roll No. 374).

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Committee to Sit: Committee on Energy and Commerce received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the five-minute rule.

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Small Business Reauthorization: By a yea-and-nay vote of 398 yeas to 26 nays, Roll No. 380, the House passed H.R. 4793, to amend the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958.

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Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Agreed To:

The Wyden amendment that provides for the establishment of a Technology Access Pilot Program to make grants to a maximum of five States for the purpose of increasing access by small businesses to on-line data base services providing technical and business information; and

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The Hiler amendment that provides for the publication of an inventory of surveying and mapping attitudes of Federal departments and agencies.

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Rejected:

The Ireland amendment that sought to strike language in the bill for natural resources development (rejected by a recorded vote of 150 yeas to 269 noes, Roll No. 378); and

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The Ireland amendment that sought to strike language in the bill which would reduce penalties for prepayment on SBA loans to levels charged by private sector lenders (rejected by a recorded vote of 21 yeas to 399 noes, Roll No. 379).

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Suspensions: House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Red Rock Canyon: H.R. 4559, amended, to establish the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area (passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 382 yeas to 38 nays, Roll No. 383). Agreed to order a second by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 381; and

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Michigan rivers: H.R. 4019, amended, to designate certain rivers in the State of Michigan as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Agreed to order a second by a yea-and-nay vote of 342 yeas to 53 nays, Roll No. 382.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call, seven yea-and-nay votes, and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 25558, 25576, 25577, 25578, 25589, 25590, 25595, 25598, 25600, 25605, and 25610.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CONTINUING AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported a measure making Continuing Appropriations for fiscal year 1991 and Supplemental Appropriations for Operations Desert Shield for fiscal year 1990.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to continue mark up of the Defense appropriations for fiscal year 1991.

Will continue tomorrow.

DEPOSIT INSURANCE REFORM

Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs: Continued hearings on Deposit Insurance Reform. Testimony was heard from L. William Seidman, Chairman, FDIC.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 4888, to improve navigational safety and to reduce the hazards to navigation resulting from vessel collisions with pipelines in the marine environment; H.R. 5520, Octane Display and Disclosure Act of 1990; H.R. 4267, Television Decoder Circuitry Act of 1990.

SAFE MEDICAL DEVICES ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3095, Safe Medical Devices Act of 1990.

STATUS OF U.S. CITIZENS AND AMERICAN EMBASSIES—KUWAIT AND IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Operations and the Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East held a joint hearing on The Status of U.S. Citizens and the American Embassies in Kuwait and Iraq. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Tamposi, Assistant Secretary, Consular Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS INDIAN TRUST FUND

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Environment, Energy and Natural Resources concluded hearings on the Review of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Trust Fund (Part III). Testimony was heard from Eddie Brown, Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; DRAFT REPORTS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 5023, amended, Government Procurement Agreements Act of 1990; H.R. 5439, amended, Reciprocity in International Government Procurement Enforcement Act of 1990; H.R. 5645, Expired Funds Control Act of 1990; and H.R. 5687, amended, Chief Financial Officer Act of 1990.

The Subcommittee also approved for full Committee action the following draft reports: "The Peace Corps: Entering Its Fourth Decade of Service"; and "Federal Employee Privacy Rights and Standard Form 86".

OVERSIGHT—NORTHROP CORPORATION

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security held an oversight hearing on Magnitude, Impact and Military Response to Harrier Jet and Cruise Missile Testing Improprieties by the Northrop Corporation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Col. James G. Hart, USMC, Program Manager, Harrier AV-8B, U.S.

Marine Corps; and Ted Jack Jones, Chief, System Engineering Branch, B-52 and Missile Division, Aircraft Directorate, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, U.S. Air Force; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 4090, to authorize the establishment of the Glorieta National Battlefield in the State of New Mexico; H.R. 5675, to authorize expansion of the Saguaro National Monument; H.R. 5497, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain lands to be added to the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site and the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in North Carolina; H.R. 3399, to designate the Colorado River in the State of Utah as a unit of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 5183, and S. 1719, to designate segments of the Colorado River in Utah within Westwater and Cataract Canyons as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 5667, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1974 to establish a deadline for the transfer of jurisdiction of the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Army to the Secretary of the Interior; and H.R. 5388, to designate certain lands in the State of North Carolina as wilderness. Testimony was heard from Senator Garn; Representatives Jones of North Carolina, Rogers, Cooper, Nielson of Utah, Kolbe and Ballenger; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Dean Stepanek, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Dennis Galvin, Associate Director, Planning and Development, National Park Service; Larry Hanson, Deputy Chief, U.S. Forest Service, USDA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT; PRIVATE CLAIMS BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations held an oversight hearing on Federal Tort Claims Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Wyden; Stuart M. Gerson, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

The Subcommittee also considered private claims bills.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Administration of Justice held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 5664, Process Patent Amendments of 1990; and H.R. 3957, to amend title 5, United States Code, with respect to patents on certain processes. Testimony was heard from Harry F. Manbeck, Jr., Commissioner, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

CENSUS BUREAU'S POST LOCAL REVIEW PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Census and Population held a hearing on the "Status of the Census Bureau's Post Census Local Review Program". Testimony was heard from Representatives Dingell, Broomfield, McCloskey, Espy and Ravenel; Barbara Everitt Bryant, Director, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; L. Nye Stevens, Director, Government Business Operations Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Civil Service held a hearing on H.R. 5322, Senior Executive Service Improvement Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Compensation and Employee Benefits approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 1400, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide relief from certain inequities remaining in the crediting of National Guard technician service in connection with civil service retirement; and H.R. 3139, Portability of Benefits for Department of Defense Nonappropriated Fund Employees Act of 1989.

UNSOLICITED MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Postal Operations and Services approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 5209, to amend title 39, United States Code, to make nonmailable any unsolicited sample of a drug or other hazardous household substance which does not meet child-resistant packaging requirements.

FEDERAL AVIATION NOISE POLICY

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Federal Aviation Noise Policy. Testimony was heard from Senators Bradley and Lautenberg; Representatives Rinaldo, Roukema, Gallo, Dwyer of New Jersey, Pallone, Ford, Miller of Washington, and Hyde; Robert A. Innocenzi, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Transportation, State of New Jersey; Maureen Ogden, Assemblywoman, State of New Jersey; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue September 27,

CONTINUING AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted a modified closed rule providing one hour of general debate on H.J. Res. 655, making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1991, and supplemental appropriations for "Operation Desert Shield"

for the fiscal year 1990. Waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. No amendment to the joint resolution shall be in order except: (1) an amendment relating to section 113, to be offered by Representative Panetta of California, or his designee, to be debatable for thirty minutes, to be equally divided between the proponent and a Member opposed thereto; and (2) an amendment striking section 113 from the joint resolution, to be offered by Representative Conte of Massachusetts, or his designee, debatable for one hour, equally divided by the proponent and a Member opposed thereto. Said amendments are not subject to amendment. Provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Whitten and Representative Conte.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Transportation, Aviation and Materials held a hearing on Electric Vehicle Technology. Testimony was heard from Mike Davis, Assistant Secretary, Conservation and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported the following measure: H.J. Res. 649, approving the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Czechoslovakia; H.J. Res. 647, without recommendation disapproving the recommendations of the President to extend nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China; and H.R. 4300, amended, Family Unification and Employment Opportunity Immigration Act of 1990.

MEDICARE FRAUD

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Medicare fraud. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Larry D. Morey, Deputy Inspector General for Investigations; and Barbara Gagel, Director, Bureau of Program Operations, Health Care Financing Administration.

Joint Meetings

FARM BILL

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2830, to extend and revise agricultural price support and related programs, to provide for agricultural export, resource conservation, farm credit, and agricultural research and related programs, and to ensure consumers an abundance of food and fiber at reasonable prices, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again Thursday, September 27.

CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2104, to restore and strengthen civil rights laws that ban discrimination in employment.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced as follows: S. 3110-3118, and S. Res. 328.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1980, to provide for the repatriation of Native American group or cultural patrimony, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 101-473)

H.R. 5158, making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1991, and for other purposes, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 101-474)

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S. Res. 312, to express the sense of the Senate regarding the need to develop a zebra mussel research and control program through the Great Lakes Fishery Commission.

S. 427, to designate the Federal Building located at 1801 Gulf Breeze Parkway, Gulf Breeze, Florida, as the "Bob Sikes Visitor Center".

S. 2806, to redesignate the Interstate Highway System as the Dwight D. Eisenhower Interstate Highway System.

S. 2879, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for maintenance, repair, alteration and other services necessary for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

S. 2965, to designate the Federal building located at 51 Southwest 1st Avenue in Miami, Florida, as the "Claude Pepper Federal Building".

S. 3046, to redesignate the Federal building located at 1 Bowling Green in New York, New York, as the "Alexander Hamilton United States Custom House".

S. 3062, to transfer the responsibility for operation and maintenance of Highway 82 Bridge at Greenville, Mississippi, to the States of Mississippi and Arkansas.

S. 3068, to establish the Office of Take Pride in America.

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Measures Passed:

McKinney Homeless Assistance Reauthorization: Senate passed S. 2863, to amend the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act and the Public Service Act to reauthorize certain health, education, training, and community services programs, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Cranston (for Kennedy) No. 2912, to combat homelessness through the establishment of housing-based family support centers, through the provision of housing-based services to elderly individuals and individuals with chronic and debilitating illnesses and conditions, through the provision of residence-based outpatient mental health services, and through the use of grants for the improvement of community development corporations.

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Interstate Commission on Child Support Enforcement: Senate passed S. 3117, to reauthorize the Interstate Commission on Child Support Enforcement.

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Commending Jonathan Steinberg: Senate agreed to S. Res. 328, commending Jonathan R. Steinberg for faithful and outstanding service to the Senate and the Nation.

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Drunk Driving Child Protection Act: Senate passed S. 2545, to amend title 18 of the United States Code, to increase the term of imprisonment for offenses involving driving while intoxicated when a minor is present in the vehicle.

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Indoor Air Quality: Senate passed S. 657, to authorize a national program to reduce the threat to human health posed by exposure to contaminants in the air indoors, after agreeing to committee amendments, and the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Cranston (for Burdick) No. 2913, to make clarifying and technical changes.

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Physicians Comparability Allowances: Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2588, to amend section 5948 of title 5, United States Code, to reauthorize physicians comparability allowances, and the bill was then passed.

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Solar and Power Geothermal Production: Senate passed S. 2415, to encourage solar and geothermal power